

P a t e n t C l a i m s :

1. A method of recording information exchanged between
5 first (1; 22) and second (5) telecommunications devices,
said recording being performed under control of said
first telecommunications device,
c h a r a c t e r i z e d in that the method comprises
the steps of:
- 10 • sending from said first telecommunications device
 (1; 22) to said second telecommunications device (5)
 a message requesting authorisation for the re-
 cording, and
- 15 • performing said recording only if a responding mes-
 sage giving said authorisation is received and rec-
 ognized by said first telecommunications device (1;
 22) in response to said requesting message.
2. A method of prohibiting the recording of information
20 exchanged between first (1; 22) and second (5) telecommu-
nications devices, said recording being performed under
control of said first telecommunications device,
c h a r a c t e r i z e d in that the method comprises
the steps of:
- 25 • sending from said first telecommunications device
 (1; 22) to said second telecommunications device (5)
 a message requesting authorisation for the re-
 cording, and
- 30 • prohibiting said recording if a responding message
 giving said authorisation is not received and recog-
 nized by said first telecommunications device (1;
 22) in response to said requesting message.
3. A method according to claim 1 or 2, c h a r a c -
35 t e r i z e d by sending said requesting message as a
voice message.

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4. A method according to any one of claims 1 to 3,
c h a r a c t e r i z e d in that it comprises the step
of sending said responding message giving authorisation
5 from said second telecommunications device (5) under con-
trol of a user of the second telecommunications device.

5. A method according to any one of claims 1 to 3,
c h a r a c t e r i z e d in that it comprises the step
10 of sending said responding message giving authorisation
from said second telecommunications device (5) automati-
cally.

6. A method according to any one of claims 1 to 5,
15 c h a r a c t e r i z e d in that it comprises the step
of advising a user of said first telecommunications de-
vice (1; 22) of whether a responding message giving au-
thorisation for recording is received.

7. A method according to any one of claims 1 to 6,
20 c h a r a c t e r i z e d in that said information is
further exchanged between said first telecommunications
device (1; 22) and at least one additional telecommunica-
tions device (13), and that said recording is only per-
25 formed if a responding message giving said authorisation
is also received from said at least one additional tele-
communications device (13).

8. A telecommunications device (1) for exchanging infor-
30 mation with other telecommunications devices, said tele-
communications device being equipped to perform a re-
cording of said exchanged information,
c h a r a c t e r i z e d in that it can assume a mode
in which it is adapted to:

- 35 • send to another telecommunications device (5) a mes-
sage requesting authorisation for the recording of

information to be exchanged with said other telecommunications device, and

- perform said recording only if a responding message giving said authorisation is received in response to said requesting message.

9. A telecommunications device according to claim 8, characterized in that it comprises speech recognition means to detect whether the responding message in response to said requesting message, in case the responding message is a voice message, gives said authorisation.

10. A telecommunications device according to claim 8 or 9, characterized in that it comprises means for advising a user of the device of whether a responding message giving authorisation for recording is received.

11. A telecommunications device according to any one of claims 8 to 10, characterized in that it is further adapted to allow said recording if a general authorisation for the recording has been received and stored in the device.

12. A telecommunications device according to any one of claims 8 to 11, characterized in that the device is a mobile telephone.

13. A telecommunications device (5) for exchanging information with other telecommunications devices, characterized in that it can be programmed to respond automatically to a received message requesting authorisation for the recording of information to be exchanged with another telecommunications device (1; 22).

14. An electronic accessory device (21) connectable to a telecommunications device (22) for exchanging information with other telecommunications devices, said electronic accessory device being equipped to perform a recording of said exchanged information, characterized in that it can assume a mode in which it is further adapted to:

- instruct a telecommunications device (22) to which it is connected to send to another telecommunications device (5) a message requesting authorisation for the recording of information to be exchanged between the two telecommunications devices, and
- perform said recording only if a responding message giving said authorisation is received in response to said requesting message.

15. An electronic accessory device according to claim 14, characterized in that it comprises means for advising a user of the device of whether a responding message giving authorisation for recording is received.

16. An electronic accessory device according to claim 14 or 15, characterized in that it is further adapted to allow said recording if a general authorisation for the recording has been received and stored in the device.